

REMARKS

This application has been reviewed in light of the final Office Action dated January 29, 2010 and the RCE filed on March 17, 2010. Claims 29-32, 34-42 and 44-48 are pending in this application, with claims 29, 39 and 48 being independent. Claims 29, 39 and 48 have been amended. Favorable reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

The courtesies extended by the Examiner and her supervisor to Applicants' representative at the April 7, 2010 Personal Interview are hereby gratefully acknowledged. As discussed at the Interview, the present invention as recited in the claims differs from the prior art, including without limitation U.S. Patent No. 6,049,743 to *Baba*, in that the invention of the present claims utilize a plurality of distinct dentally specific indicia. In a plurality of distinct dentally specific indicia, each indicium relates to a different dental feature. To clarify that point, Applicants have amended claims 29, 39 and 48 to recite:

the dental restoration body including a plurality of distinct dentally specific indicia, each indicium in said plurality relating to a different dental feature.

This feature is not taught or suggested by *Baba*, in which the deforming regions A(n) are obtained simply by quartering an image of a tooth.

The foregoing clarifying amendment having been made, Applicants believe that this application is now in condition for allowance.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully request favorable reconsideration and early passage to issue of the present application.

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